DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE CMPT 250.6

Time: 50 minutes Marks: Midterm Exam

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- 13 1 Consider an ADT for a sequence, called SEQ[T] where T denotes a genetic parameter. Design a reasonable set of operations for such and ADT (with suitable assertions/axioms), and illustrate each operation with T representing a character. Specify the interface for each operation.
- 2. What features distinguish an object-oriented programming language such as Eiffel from a traditional procedural language such as Standard Pascal, C, or FORTRAN? Briefly explain each feature and state how each feature may support the development of higher-quality software systems.
- 12 3.a) What is client-supplier contracting?
 - b) What are the obligations and benefits for the client and for the supplier?
 - c) What role does assertions play in this model?
 - d) Explain and illustrate the key notions/ideas.
- 4. Given two linked binary trees whose root nodes are denoted by T1 and T2, respectively with the following node structure:

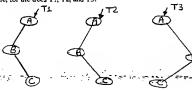
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formulate a detailed recursive function EQUAL(as an algorithm or a program in Pascal or Eiffel) that returns true if both trees are identical, i.e.,

a) they have identical structure, and

 b) corresponding nodes have the same information contents; or false, otherwise.

For example, for the trees T1, T2, and T3:



T1 and T2 are equal while T2 and T3 are not.